Construction Advisories

Week of September 13, 2010

- (Alert!) New traffic patterns on several bridges: This week, MaineDOT contractors will begin shifting lane closures on several bridges on I-295 southbound in the Portland area from the center to the left lane. These lane closures are 24/7, with two lanes of traffic open during daylight hours.
- (Alert!) Several Exits and On-Ramps will be closed according to the following planned schedule for this week:
 - The on-ramp to I-295 southbound from Forest Ave. may be closed nightly from 7PM to 6AM
 - Southbound Exit 11 (Maine Turnpike Spur) will be closed Tuesday night 9/14 and Wednesday night 9/15 from 7PM to 6AM
 - o The on-ramp to I-295 southbound from Bucknam Road will be closed Wednesday night, 9/15 and Thursday night, 9/16 from 7PM to 6AM
 - o I-295 southbound Exit 10 (US1 & Rt 9, Bucknam Road) will be closed Thursday night, 9/16 and Friday night, 9/17 from 7PM to 6AM.
 - I-295 southbound Exit 6B (Forest Ave. North) will be closed Friday night, 9/17 from 7PM to 6AM
 - o Detours will be established for all above exit closures.
- The 24/7 closure of the Veranda St. southbound on-ramp to I-295 has been extended to early October. This 24/7 closure is a safety precaution, due to bridgework and lane closures on I-295 where traffic normally enters from the Veranda St. on-ramp. Drivers from the Falmouth area are encouraged to use the I-295 southbound on-ramp at Exit 10 (Bucknam Road).
- Sunday through Friday nights: I-295 Exit 7 (Franklin St.) will be closed either the southbound or northbound off-ramp nightly from 7PM to 6AM, Sunday through Friday nights. Only one off-ramp will be closed at any one time. A detour will be established using alternative nearby exits.
- The I-295 southbound off-ramp at Exit 5B (Congress St. West) and southbound on-ramp from Park Avenue remain closed 24/7. This closure will continue until work is completed on the bridges that are just south of that exit. Detours have been established.
- Overnight Lane Closures Continue For Paving and Bridgework On I-295 Northbound Lanes:
 - Milling and paving operations continue on I-295 northbound from just north of the Falmouth Spur at mile marker 13. Drivers should use caution, as there will be uneven lanes and high shoulders.
 - Overnight lane closures will occur between 8PM and 7:30AM.

Drivers are strongly encouraged to sign up for email alerts at mainedot.gov.